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St Joseph's Primary School Newsletter

Friday 22nd January 2021

Dear Parents

We hope that you have had a good week, whether your child is at home or in school. We know that you are all facing different pressures. Balancing working from home with supporting your child's remote learning can be very challenging. We know that some of you are doing work that is critical to the COVID response and others may have health or financial difficulties.

Please let us know if there is anything that we can help you with.

With best wishes Mrs. O'Reilly and Mrs. Jackson

Nursery - Remote Learning from our youngest children...

Ms Vine read the story 'The Rainy Day' by Anna Milbourne to her class on zoom. Lucas was able to sort different clothes you would wear for different types of weather.

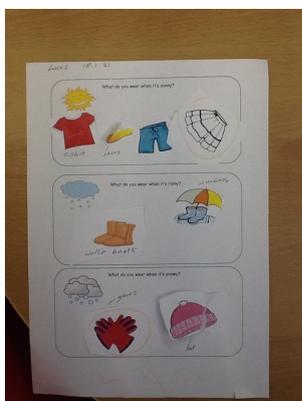
Comparing circles and triangles

Noah found different circles around the house and used other objects to make triangles.

Shape Art

Saif did a circle and triangle print picture by using carrot and potato pieces cut out in circle and triangle shapes.

Ms Vine's stories are all saved on Tapestry for nursery parents who would like to share them with their children



Keeping in contact is important...

It is even more important than ever to keep in contact at the moment. It is lovely for us to see your child everyday and for them to see their teacher and friends online. We know that there are many challenges to working remotely: working yourselves from home and looking after other children or loved ones. Thank you for your patience and perseverance. We are doing all that we can to provide a good learning experience for your child. If your child is unwell or is unable to join their daily live streamed lessons please phone the school and let us know the reasons in the same way that you normally would. Your child's work is posted by the teacher online by 9am every day, so that you can take a look at it before the live streamed lesson if that is helpful. Please do not message your child's teacher on Google Classroom as the teacher will not be able to respond to you. If you would like to ask a question, make a comment or need some help, please phone the school office on 0207 242 7712 or email: admin@stjosephs.camden.sch.uk. We will then phone you back. Thank you very much to those of you who have sent positive comments in this way to let the teachers know how your child is responding and engaging with their remote learning. If you need help with anything please let us know, we are here to help :)



Online Safety Issue...

We have attached a helpful guide to this newsletter regarding a potential online safety issue: it has come to our attention that private photos from *Whatsapp* on parents' phones may be saved, by accident, into your child's Google Classroom account. We know that some parents do check their child's work using their phone, so this can easily happen. Our guide will be helpful to you if this is something you occasionally do. It is very quick and easy to change your settings so that any photos you receive are private from your child and their teachers, and won't be saved on Google Classroom. Please do contact the school if you want any help with this.



Our school website address is www.stjosephs.camden.sch.uk

Parent Workshops to support your children to stay emotionally well or resolve problems before they become overwhelming...



The Mental Health Support Team (MHST) is an early intervention service that aims to support children, families and schools across the borough of Camden. They are pleased to be able to offer an online webinar series for all parents and carers of primary school children in Camden.

Each workshop will last up to 60 minutes and have an optional follow up 20 minutes for further questions for those parents or carers that are interested.

Parents/carers can register for any of the above webinars through Eventbrite (for free) at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/parentcarer-webinar-series-tickets-135509262853>.

Parents/carers can opt in for all five topics of workshops, or whichever most appeals to you.

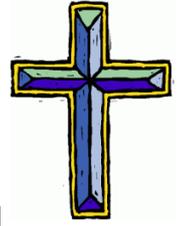
Topic	Day and Date	Time
Understanding and supporting your child with worries - Option A	Wednesday 27 th Jan 2021	5-6 pm 6-6.20pm - Q&A
Understanding and supporting your child with worries - Option B	Thursday 28 th Jan 2021	12-1 pm 1-1.20 pm - Q&A
Routines	Thursday 4 th Feb 2021	12-1 pm 1-1.20 pm - Q&A
Parent/Carer and Child interactions	Thursday 11 th Feb 2021	12-1 pm 1-1.20 pm - Q&A
Introduction to the Mental Health Support Team: Why Early Intervention Matters	Wednesday 24 th Feb 2021	5-6 pm

Our Prayer...

Loving Father,
give us the courage to follow when we hear you call.

Guide us back to the path that leads to your kingdom if we should lose our way.

We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord.
Amen



Important dates for your diary...

Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February - Half Term

Friday 26th February - Academic Review Day

Thursday 4th March - World Book Day

Friday 26th March - Non-uniform Day

Wednesday 31st March - Last day of term

Thursday 1st April - Friday 16th April - Easter Holidays

What to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus...

If your child is displaying symptoms of coronavirus at home, you must arrange a test for them immediately and inform the school of the result.

- To arrange a test you should visit www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test
- DO NOT WAIT!** Your child should be tested on the same day they are showing symptoms, or the next day at the latest.
- Please let the Head of School (Mrs O'Reilly) know immediately when you receive the result of your child's coronavirus test by calling the school office on **020 7242 7712**
- If your child tests positive for coronavirus, you will receive a text, email or phone call from NHS that explains what your result is and what you need to do next.

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)



new and continuous cough

or



high temperature

or



loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If you, or anyone at home, get a positive COVID-19 test, please let us know by emailing the school at:

admin@stjosephs.camden.sch.uk